Congresswoman Marks EITC Awareness Day

(Washington, DC) — Today on IRS Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Awareness Day U.S. Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-Milwaukee) encouraged eligible Milwaukee residents to claim the EITC, a powerful anti-poverty and work support tax credit.

Congresswoman Moore said, "The Earned Income Tax Credit can make an incredible difference for so many working families – especially in these tough economic times. Families may be eligible for the first time because we temporarily expanded the credit in the Recovery Act. Folks should take advantage of free tax preparation services to make sure they don't miss tax any credit they can claim, like the EITC."

Every year, the EITC helps about 24 million working families nationwide and brings nearly five million families out of poverty. An estimated seven million eligible taxpayers fail to claim this credit, which could be worth more than \$5,600 per family.

For more information on the EITC, visit the IRS EITC website.